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(S) DATT and Econoff met with ANATEL's (Brazil's telecom regulator) General Satellite Manager Sueli Aruajo, Supervision of Satellite Services Manager Paulo Machado, Operations Manager Jose Amado, and Engineer Jaime Ono on May 114. We delivered Reftel talking points and left a copy in English with the ANATEL team. They asked specifics about the types of interference, which frequency channels are affected, how often, and during what times of the day. DATT committed to obtaining these answers and will transmit the answers to Econoff, who will respond to ANATEL. DATT offered a technical team to assist ANATEL discover the sources of interference, but our interlocutors responded that assistance is not required at this time. The ANATEL team promised to investigate the frequencies further, and when the sources are found, will advise and consult with us further.

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